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Captain AERO



"KING of the
SKY TRAILS"

by CHARLES M.
QUINLAN



MID-NIGHT
AT A REMOTE
CHINESE-AMERICAN
AIRBASE...MYSTERIOUS
FIGURES LURKING IN THE
SHADOWS OF THE SURROUND-
ING JUNGLE! A SCREAM,
SHOTS IN THE NIGHT, AND A
DIABOLICAL PLOT UNFOLDS!
—THIS IS THE SETTING FOR
CAPTAIN AERO'S MEETING
WITH
*"The KILLERS
in KUNAI"*







HURRYING TO THE SCENE OF THE SHOOTING THEY ARRIVE A COUPLE OF MINUTES AFTER THE CORPORAL AND HIS COMPANION.

WHAT'S UP, BOYS?

IT'S CAPTAIN AERO! TEN SHUN



AT EASE, MEN, NOW WHAT'S ALL THE SHOOTING FOR?

WELL AS NEAR AS I CAN FIGURE IT OUT, SIR, THE WHOLE GUARD DETAIL IS SEEIN' THINGS!

YEH, WELL I'M TELLIN' YUH CORP'L, I SEEN IT AND I HIT IT WHEN I FIRED!



WELL IF YOU DID HIT WHAT YOU SHOT AT IT'S STILL HERE! WHERE DID IT FALL?

RIGHT THERE, SIR! IT DROPPED RIGHT IN IT'S TRACKS!

SEE, SIR, -HE INSISTS ON IT!



THERE DOESN'T SEEM TO BE ANYTHING HERE NOW!

I KNOW IT, SIR, GOSH, I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO SAY, BUT I'M POSITIVE I HIT IT! I COULDN'T MISS!



YEH, AND JENKINS OVER ON POST 6 COULDN'T MISS SEEIN' WHAT HE SAW EITHER! -SO YOU'RE BOTH RIGHT AND I'M NUTS!

LET'S GO, CHOP SUEY BEFORE WE START SEEING THINGS TOO!



As THEY HEAD BACK TO THEIR QUARTERS, CAPT. AERO SUDDENLY GRABS CHOP SUEY AND PULLS HIM INTO THE SHADOWS OF A WAREHOUSE!

HEY WHAT!

SHH-H-H!



CHOP, OLD MAN, THERE'S MORE TO THIS THAN MEETS THE EYE! - WE'RE GOING TO SNAKE OUR WAY PAST THE GUARDS AND SEE FOR OURSELVES WHAT'S GOING ON!

BUT YOU IS OFFICER, WE DON'T GOT TO SNEAK OUT OF CAMP!

OH YES WE DO, BECAUSE I DON'T WANT THE GUARDS TO SUSPECT THAT I THINK ANYTHING'S WRONG!

GULP!

CAUTIOUSLY THE GREAT FLYER AND HIS LITTLE ALLY SLITHER THROUGH THE DEEP KUNAI GRASS INTO THE FORBIDDEN JUNGLE!

WELL HIDDEN, THEY SILENTLY WATCH FOR ABOUT A HALF HOUR, THEN SUDDENLY CHOP PLACES A TREMBLING HAND ON THE SLEEVE OF CAPTAIN AERO!

OVER THERE - L'L-LOOK!!!

NOT THIRTY FEET AWAY, A MASSIVE AND TERRIFYING FORM IS PLAINLY SILHOUETTED AGAINST THE WANING MOON!

Aero INSTANTLY LEAPS TO HIS FEET AND FIRES!

AS THE STRANGE APPARITION FALLS CHOP GIVES OUT WITH A TERRIFIED SHRIEK!

YEIII!

AS THE DEEP GRASS BECOMES ALIVE WITH AT LEAST A DOZEN MORE OF THE FEARSOME CREATURES!

RUN CHOP, RUN!!

FRIGHTENED ALMOST OUT OF HIS WITS, THE LITTLE CHINESE RACES WILDLY AWAY!



IN HIS TERRIFIED DASH TOWARD THE CAMP, HE YELLS AT THE TOP OF HIS LUNGS!



TURNING IN HIS FLIGHT TO SEE HOW AERO IS MAKING OUT, HIS HEART ALMOST POPS OUT OF HIS MOUTH!



FOR ONE OF THE MONSTERS HAS ELUDED AERO'S DEADLY FUSILLADE AND IS ALMOST UPON HIM!



BUT THE CORPORAL OF THE GUARD RUSHING TO INVESTIGATE THE SHOOTING SEES CHOP SUEY'S PLIGHT AND...

HOLY HATS!

WHAM!



Then AS THE BELEAGUERED MASTER FLYER FIRES HIS LAST SHOT AND STARTS SLUGGING, THE GUARD ARRIVES AND WITH FLASHING BAYONETS JOIN IN THE FRAY!



A FEW MINUTES LATER, THE VANQUISHED MONSTERS ARE CAREFULLY EXAMINED!



HOLY MACKERAL!
-GET A LOAD
OF THIS!

JAPS!

WHAT WON'T THEY
THINK OF NEXT!

KUNAI GRASS WEAVED INTO
CANVAS SUITS, NO WONDER
WE COULDN'T FIND
THEM! BUT WHY DID
THEY GO TO ALL THIS
TROUBLE?



WELL, IT LOOKS LIKE
WE'VE GOT SOMEONE OR
SOMETHING HERE THAT'S
ANNOYING THEM
PLENTY!

COULD BE,
CORPORAL -
MAYBE YOU'RE
RIGHT, BUT
WHO?



YOU, SIR,
AND THAT
TRICK PLANE
OF YOURS!

ME?

HE RIGHT, CAPT.
AERO, ME HEAR
JAPS SAY MANY
TIMES "NO CAN
WIN WAR UNLESS
KILL YOU AND
DESTROY
DEVIL PLANE!"



THAT'S IT! MY PLANE! C'MON!
-ONE OF THEM MAY HAVE
SLIPPED PAST THE GUARDS
ALREADY!

LET'S GO,
MEN!



FEAR FOR THE SAFETY OF HIS GREAT MYSTERY PLANE
LEND'S WINGS TO AERO'S FEET AND HE QUICKLY OUT-
DISTANCES HIS COMPANIONS IN A MAD DASH TO
THE HANGARS!



HURRIEDLY UNLOCKING THE DOOR
HE BOUNDS INSIDE AND SWITCHES
ON THE LIGHT!

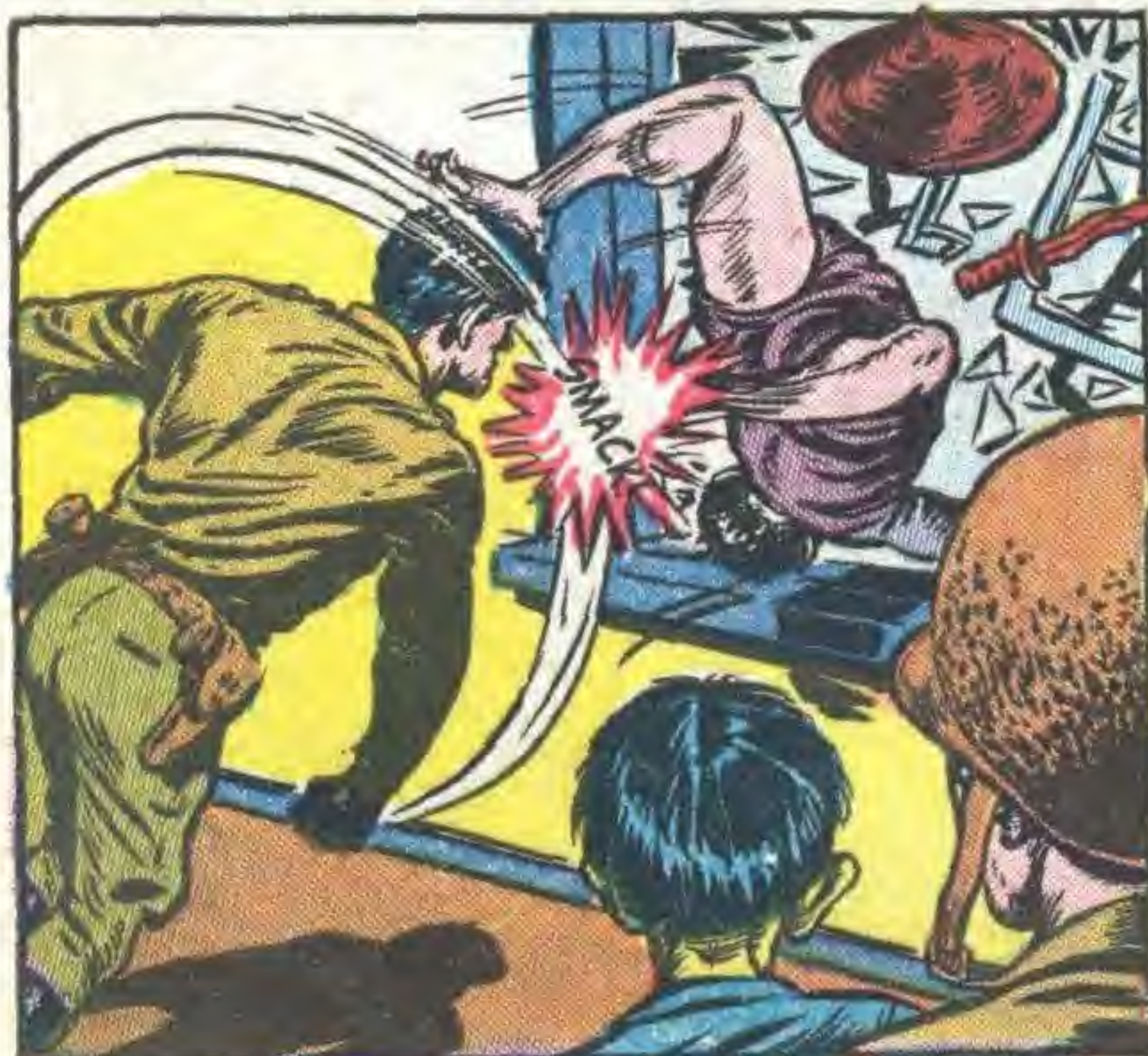
THANK HEAVEN
-NOBODY HERE



BUT I BETTER TAKE
A LOOK AROUND
ANYHOW!



LOOK OUT,
CAPTAIN
AERO!



A HALF HOUR LATER EVERYTHING IS UNDER
CONTROL AND ALL IS QUIET AGAIN!

YOU KNOW, CHOP, FOR A LONG TIME I
THOUGHT WE AIRMEN, WERE THE BEST
OF THE LOT! BUT, GOSH, AFTER THIS
NIGHT'S EXPERIENCE MY HAT
COMES OFF TO THOSE
GUYS OF OURS WHO HAVE
TO SLUG IT OUT IN THE
JUNGLES! FOR MY
MONEY THEY'RE
THE CREAM OF THE
CROP!

AND
HOW!



IN THE NEXT CAPT. AERO COMICS, THE
GREAT MASTER FLYER AGAIN TAKES TO THE
AIR IN ANOTHER THRILLING BATTLE FOR
SUPREMACY OF THE SKIES WHEN HE
ENCOUNTERS THE JAPANESE SANDMAN!

Miss VICTORY



LEONARDO DA VINCI WAS A GREAT ARTIST-- BUT HE WAS AN EVEN GREATER SCIENTIST! FIVE CENTURIES AGO, HIS PROPHETIC MIND FORESAW THE AIRPLANE, THE PARACHUTE, MACHINE GUN AND SUBMARINE!!

--STRANGE AND DEADLY WAS HIS GIFT OF INVENTION--- BUT THE STORY OF HIS GREATEST INVENTION HAS NEVER BEEN TOLD!!

IT IS A STORY THAT WILL KEEP YOUR EYES GLUED TO THE PAGE AS YOU FOLLOW MISS VICTORY ON THE TRAIL OF "DEATH FROM THE PAST!"

JOAN WAYNE, STENOGRAPHER, DOESN'T HAVE MUCH TIME FOR VISITING MUSEUMS! -- BUT HERE WE FIND HER, ONE IDLE AFTERNOON!

HO-HUM! I SHOULD BE INTERESTED IN ALL THIS! BUT I KEEP WISHING FOR SOMETHING EXCITING TO HAPPEN!





THEY'RE AFTER ME!
I MUST FIND HELP!

THE ANSWER TO A
MAIDEN'S PRAYER!
-I SMELL TROUBLE!



BETTER STOP TO CATCH
YOUR BREATH! WHAT ARE
YOU RUNNING FROM
ANYWAY?

LET ME GO, PLEASE!



DR. HOSHEMA WILL MURDER
ME! I TELL YOU, HE'LL
STOP AT NOTHING TO-



The SENTENCE IS NEVER COMPLETED-FOR A
SINGLE SHARP SOUND MARKS A DEADLY
PUNCTUATION!

A SHOT!

OHH!



JOAN WAYNE TAKES COVER A MOMENT LATER...

I SAW THOSE MEN AT THE
DOOR! WHEN THEY THINK I'VE
GONE, THEY'LL COME IN!



...AND THEY'LL FIND
MISS VICTORY
WAITING!

LOOK
OUT!



GET UNDER THERE! MAYBE YOU CAN
HATCH ANOTHER REPTILE!

SHE WILL RUIN
EVERYTHING!
KILL HER!!









MEET THE MODERN MASTER OF MEDICAL ARTS--

The RED CROSS

THE HERO OF THIS STORY IS NOT A FICTIONAL CHARACTER! THE RED CROSS IS BASED ON THE ACTUAL HEROES OF TOIL AND SACRIFICE--THE VALIANT MEN AND WOMEN WHOSE LIVES ARE DEVOTED TO REPAIRING THE FRIGHTFUL RAVAGES OF WAR! BUT FIRST THE AGGRESSORS WHO CAUSE WAR MUST BE STAMPED OUT! AND THAT IS WHY THE RED CROSS IS FOUND IN THE THICK OF THE FIGHTING TO CARRY OUR BATTLE STANDARDS TO VICTORY---



Jack Alderman

INTO THE WALLED-CITY OF YENG-TU, THE VICTORIOUS JAPANESE TROOPS ENTER---

SEARCH THE RUINS!
KEEP THE UNARMED
AS PRISONERS! LEAVE
THE WOUNDED TO DIE!



WATER! IN THE NAME OF
BUDDHA, GRANT ME WATER!

A WOUNDED
ENEMY!



ONLY THOSE FIT TO
WORK FOR US ARE FIT
TO LIVE! THAT IS MY
ORDER!

IT SHALL BE
SO, SIR!



I WILL SHOW YOU
HOW TO DEAL WITH
THESE DOGS!

AAGHH!



WHILE A
FEW MILES
OUTSIDE
THE TOWN,
RED CROSS
CONSULTS
MEMBERS
OF THE
MEDICAL
STAFF...

WE WERE FORCED
TO ABANDON THE
TOWN, TOO QUICKLY
TO CARRY OUT THE
WOUNDED! IT'S
INHUMAN TO LEAVE
THEM TO THE JAPS!

YOU'RE
RIGHT! WE'LL
FIND SOME
WAY TO GIVE
THEM TREAT-
MENTS AND
SUPPLIES!



A SHORT TIME LATER, HOSPITAL TRUCKS MOVE IN A SLOW PROCESSION TOWARD THE WALLED CITY---



MEANWHILE A JAP COMMANDER LOOKS THROUGH HIS BINOCULARS----

THEY ARE RED CROSS
TRUCKS! THEY MUST BE
ALLOWED TO ENTER!

YES! THEY SHALL
ENTER! BUT WHO
CAN SAY WHETHER
THEY WILL
DEPART?



INSIDE THE WALLED CITY, RED CROSS REPORTS TO THE JAP COMMANDER....

WE HAVE COME BENEATH A FLAG OF TRUCE! WE REQUEST PERMISSION TO REMOVE THE WOUNDED FOR TREATMENT!

SO? AND DOUBTLESS YOU HAVE THE NECESSARY SUPPLIES?



OF COURSE! THOSE TRUCKS ARE STOCKED WITH.... WHAT THE...?

AH! THERE SEEMS TO BE SOME TROUBLE!



SHOOT THE DRIVERS! DO NOT LET THEM ESCAPE!



YOU ORDERED YOUR MEN TO SEIZE THE TRUCKS! YOU'LL PAY FOR THIS!

GUARDS!



YOU'LL NEED MORE THAN GUARDS, TO STOP ME!



I SHOULD HAVE KNOWN YOU JAPS WOULDN'T RESPECT A FLAG OF TRUCE!

OoooOFF!



DON'T WORRY! I'LL BE COMING BACK!

HE IS A MADMAN! NOTHING STOPS HIM!





HELLO!

AIEEE!!



WELL LOOK AT MY LITTLE JAP FRIEND RUN!



THOSE JAPS HAVE NO STOMACH FOR A FAIR FIGHT!

HASTEN! CLOSE THE GATES!



SORRY TO DISTURB YOU BOYS! BUT I'M COMING THROUGH!



LATER A DEJECTED GROUP OF MEN GATHER NEAR THE IMPROVISED HOSPITAL ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF THE WALLED CITY....

NOW WE KNOW THE CHARACTER OF OUR ENEMY, THEY'VE WON THE FIRST ROUND! THEY STILL HAVE THE WOUNDED AND NOW HAVE THE SUPPLIES!

WE'RE HELPLESS AGAINST THEM!



NOT ENTIRELY HELPLESS! WE NEED THOSE SUPPLIES BADLY! AND THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY THAT WE CAN GET THEM BACK! WE'RE GOING TO CAPTURE THE CITY OF YENG-TU!



FANTASTIC IS THE WORD FOR RED CROSS' DARING SUGGESTION! HOW CAN A LONELY HOSPITAL UNIT HOPE TO CAPTURE A WHOLE CITY---THAT NIGHT HEAVILY LADEN RIVER CRAFTS MOVE DOWN THE RIVER INTO YENG-TU, AS THOUGH IN ANSWER TO THE QUESTION!

A SHORT DISTANCE FROM THE WALLED CITY OF YENG-TU---

I CAN UNDERSTAND SENDING THE CHINESE GUERRILLAS INTO THE CITY CONCEALED IN BARGES! BUT WHAT ARE WE DOING WITH FLYING KITES?

THESE SACKS OF GUNPOWDER ATTACHED TO THE TAILS OF THE KITES WILL PROVIDE THE DIVERSION OUR MEN NEED!



THE KITES CARRY THEIR DEADLY CARGO INSIDE THE CITY WALLS, WHERE THE GUNPOWDER IS IGNITED BY FLAMING ARROWS.

NOW I'M BEGINNING TO UNDERSTAND! THIS IS AN AIR RAID WITHOUT PLANES!



INSIDE THE WALLED CITY----

SIRE! COME QUICKLY! ENEMY SOLDIERS ARE POURING OUT OF BARGES ON THE RIVER!

WE HAVE BEEN TRICKED!



SEND EVERY MAN TO THE RIVER! WE WILL TEACH THEM A LESSON THEY WILL NOT FORGET SO SOON!

YES SIR!



SOON A VIOLENT BATTLE RAGES BY THE CITY ON THE BANKS OF THE RIVER---



THEN RED CROSS GIVES THE ORDER FOR A DIRECT FRONTAL ATTACK ON THE UNDEFENDED CITY WALLS---

FORWARD! WE'LL TRAP THEM BETWEEN TWO FIRES!





THE RUSE WORKED!
THEY LEFT THE WALL
UNGUARDED! ALL THEIR
SOLDIERS ARE DOWN
AT THE RIVER!



LATER, PEACE REIGNS AGAIN AFTER
A SCENE OF VOLCANIC BATTLE!

THERE'S NOT A JAP
LEFT! THEY WERE
TAKEN BY SURPRISE
AND WIPED OUT TO
THE LAST MAN!

WATER
IN THE
NAME
OF MERCY!



AND RED CROSS OFFERS
A LAST COMFORT TO
HIS DYING ENEMY----

OUR JOB IS TO SAVE LIVES
--NOT DESTROY THEM!
ONLY MEN LIKE YOU FORCE
US TO TAKE ARMS!



HE'S DEAD! HE
MET THE FATE
HE DESERVED!

WE
FOUND OUR
SUPPLY
TRUCKS
INTACT! WE'LL
START TREATING
THE WOUNDED
AT ONCE!



LATER-----

OUR CHINESE FRIENDS FOUGHT
WELL! BUT YOUR LEADERSHIP
WON THE BATTLE! YOU'VE
EARNED A REST, RED CROSS!

I CANNOT
REST! NOT
WHILE THERE
IS WORK
STILL TO BE
DONE! NOT
WHILE OTHER
VICTIMS OF
WAR NEED
HELP AND
CARE!



PERHAPS WE'LL MEET
AGAIN! YOU KNOW
WHERE TO LOOK FOR
ME! I'LL BE WHEREVER
THERE ARE PEOPLE
WHO NEED ME MOST!

GOOD BYE!
GOOD LUCK!
TO YOU
RED CROSS!



ANOTHER THRILL-PACKED EPISODE
STARRING THE RED CROSS IN ANOTHER
ISSUE OF **CAPT. AERO** COMICS...

BURMA Roadsters!

IN MARCH, 1942, JAPAN TOOK THE FAMOUS BURMA ROAD-AND CHINA WAS CUT OFF FROM THE ALLIES! BUT JUST ONE MONTH LATER AT AN ALLIED BASE IN INDIA!

AND CHINA MUST HAVE THE MILITARY SUPPLIES OR SHE CANNOT...

BUT WITH THE BURMA ROAD CUT OFF AND IN JAPAN'S HANDS, HOW CAN...?

I'LL TELL YOU! WE'LL BUILD A NEW ROAD! - A **SKY LINE!**

YOU MEAN-RUN AN **AIRLINE** OVER THE HIMALAYAS?

EXACTLY WHAT I MEAN! -AND I PROPOSE WE START ON THE PROJECT AT ONCE!

INDIA IS STILL IN ALLIED HANDS... OUR BASE OF SUPPLIES COULD BE THERE! -LOOK HERE!!

WE'D START AS FAR EAST AS POSSIBLE-UP IN ASSAM PROVINCE. THAT'S 500 MILES-ONLY A FEW HOURS FROM KUNMING!

And THAT'S HOW THE INDIA-CHINA AIRLINE BEGAN! HIGH OVER CLOUD-PIERCING PEAKS THE **NEW BURMA ROAD** HURTLED THROUGH THE SKY!



DESPITE THE GREAT DANGERS, THE NEW FREIGHT LINE WAS AN INSTANT SUCCESS! -BETTER PLANES AND MORE PILOTS WERE SECURED! IT CHANGED ITS NAME TO - THE AIR TRANSPORT COMMAND. THESE ARE THE FLYING BOXCARS! THEN DURING THE WINTER OF 1943



WELL, MAC, WE GO OVER THE HUMP IN THE MORNING, EH?

YES SIR AND EVERYTHING'S READY!

OH HUM, SO WE START BEFORE DAWN - ME FOR SOME SHUT-EYE!



ALL SET TO SHOVE OFF, SKIPPER!

OKAY, CPL. PERRAM! -WE'LL BE LEAVING!

THE SOUP IS BAD! I'LL BET A STORM'S COMING!



OXYGEN, ON, SIR...

THEN WE'LL KEEP CLIMBING



26,000 FT. NOW WE'LL HIT FOR THE EAST!

GEE, IT'S COLD IN HERE! BET THE HEATER ISN'T ON!



HEY, BILL, SKIPPER WANTS TO KNOW WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH YOUR HEATER?

IT'S BURNED OUT SKIPPER! WE GOTTA DO THE BEST WE CAN!

Later, THE WINDS ROSE TO A GALE AND...

I'M FLYING ON
INSTRUMENTS NOW!
-CAN'T SEE A THING!
BETTER CONTACT BASE,
CPL. SPENCER!

RIGHT,
SIR!

CALLING A.T.C.
BASE! CPL. SPENCER,
CALLING A.T.C. BASE!
- COME IN! COME IN!!

THEY DON'T
ANSWER, HUH?
-I'LL GO TELL
THE SKIPPER!

MEANWHILE...

CO-PILOT,
-WE'RE
LOSING
ALTITUDE,
SIR!

I KNOW IT,
MAC! WELL, IN
THIS STORM I
THINK I'LL
ALLOW 10 DEGREES
FOR WIND DRIFT
FROM THE SOUTH!

OUR VERY LIVES DEPEND
ON THESE GADGETS! GREAT
THINGS! LET'S DO SOME
RECKONING, RIGHT,
'OFFICER M'CULLUM!

RIGHT,
SIR!

CORPORAL SPENCER, SIR!
-HE SAYS HE CAN'T
CONTACT BASE!

A.T.C. BASE - A.T.C.
BASE - COME IN, PLEASE!
COME IN!

WONDER WHAT
THE SKIPPER'LL
DO?

NO USE, FELLOWS,
-I CAN'T CONTACT
THEM!

THERE'S ONLY
ONE THING TO
DO!

A LITTLE LATER...

WELL, FELLOWS, MAC AND I
CALCULATE WE'RE 60 MILES
EAST OF LHASA! OUR GAS IS
LOW AND THIS STORM--IT
LOOKS TOUGH!



THIS IS IT, MAC!
SEE THAT GAS GAUGE?
-CAN'T KEEP
ALTITUDE WITHOUT
GAS!

HEY BOYS,
-SKIPPER WANTS
YOU!



THIS IS THE
JUMPING OFF
PLACE, BOYS...
HOW'RE YOUR
CHUTES?

YES, AND BUNDLE UP!
IT'S ABOUT 20 BELOW
ZERO OUT THERE!



WITH THIS
STORM I CAN'T
SEE A THING!

SKIPPER,
HERE'S A
MOUNTAIN
ON OUR RIGHT!



SKIPPER!
THERE'S A
MOUNTAIN ON
OUR LEFT!



I'LL TURN
HER INTO A
"ONE-EIGHTY"!
-GOTTA GET
OUT OF
HERE!

ENGINE'S
DYING! NO
MORE GAS!



I GOT HER IN
A GLIDE! THERE'S
VERY LITTLE ALTITUDE!
FELLOWS, JUMP NOW!

GOD WITH
YOU, BOYS!

-BE SEEING
YOU!



OH, MAC!
-WHERE
ARE YOU?

HURRY, SKIPPER!
-WE'RE AWFUL
LOW!



SKIPPER,
HERE I AM!



BOY, WHAT LUCK!
THERE'S A ROAD
HEY MAC! MA-A-AC
HA-ALL-000!!



OKAY, SKIPPER,
HERE I COME!
HEY, SPENCE...
SPEN-CER!!



HALLOO!!
SKIP-ER,
MAC-HELLO!

GOOD! THERE'S SPENCE!
HELLO SPE-NN-CE!
DOWN THE ROAD!

FINE! NOW
WHERE ARE THE
OTHERS?
**PER-RAM,
HUFFMAN!**



THEY MUST BE
OVER HERE! I
CALLED BUT
NO ANSWER!

HEY,
PERRAM!
-HUFFMAN!

HOPE WE
FIND 'EM!
-CAN'T BE
FAR AWAY!



WE CAN'T WAIT
FOR THEM! WE'D
FREEZE TO
DEATH! IT'S WAY
BELOW ZERO
NOW!

LET'S FOLLOW
THIS ROAD! WE
SHOULD HIT A
VILLAGE OF
SOME SORT!

LOOKS
LIKE WE'RE
MILES FROM
NOWHERE!

And MANY HOURS LATER...

WE'RE LUCKY!
THERE'S FOOD
SHELTER AND
HELP!

I HOPE!
I HOPE!

SAY, MISTER,
WHAT VILLAGE
IS THIS?

NO USE,
SKIPPER! HE
DOESN'T
UNDERSTAND
ENGLISH!

HELLO,
FRIENDS!
-I SPEAK
A LITTLE
ENGLISH!

THIS IS TSETANG
IN THE FORBIDDEN
LAND OF TIBET!
-I GREET YOU!

THANKS, HOLY
MAN! WE ARE
FLIERS AND
CARRY HELP TO
CHINA! THE
STORM..

NOW I MYSELF
SHALL LEAD YOU TO
LHASA! FOREIGN MINISTER
RANGANG IS THERE! HE
WILL FURNISH GUIDES AND
HORSES TO TAKE
YOU HOME!

LHASA TO
ASSAM? HOLY
COW, THAT'S
A TWO MONTH
TRIP!

BUT WE'LL
MAKE IT
IN LESS!

ON THE TRAIL...

THE
GUIDE SAYS
WE WILL HIT
THE BASE IN
A MONTH IF
WE CAN
KEEP UP
THIS SPEED!

BRR...AND
I USED TO
THINK IT
WAS COLD
BACK HOME
IN QUINCY
MASS.
-BUT I
WAS WRONG

TWO DAYS LATER, CORPORAL HUFFMAN
FOUND THE VILLAGE ALSO. THEN LATE
THE SAME DAY, BILL PERRAM, THE
ENGINEER WAS BROUGHT IN. HE HAD
BRUISED HIS LEG - THE ONLY CASUALTY.
THE NATIVES TREATED THE FLIERS
ROYALLY AND GAVE THEM WARM
CLOTHES, THEN...

I'D RATHER
GET OFF AND
WALK!

STAY THERE!
THE HORSE IS
Surer FOOTED
THAN YOU ARE!

SO 30 DAYS LATER, THAT BAND OF INTREPID
U.S. FLIERS REACHED THEIR BASE PRETTY WELL
USED UP, BUT ANXIOUS TO FLY MORE CARGO
TO CHINA!

SUCH IS THE SPIRIT THAT HAS WON FOR THE MEN
OF THE AIR TRANSPORT COMMAND IN CHINA
A CITATION FROM
PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT!

"EPISODE IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC"

A red tropical dawn came in on the heels of a whirling all-night storm, casting an ominous reflection over the tiny Pacific island. Shattered coconut trees and limp broken remnants of what had been colored foliage littered the steaming, soaking terrain.

A few sounds filtered over the morning stillness. The "caw-caw" of some distant wild bird in flight, dronings of strange reptiles from the murky swamps, rustling noises in the soaking grass. Overhead, the hot sun was preparing to come through and scorch the earth with its steady, maddening heat.

No human was in sight — that is, at first glance.

But hidden in a clump of tough mango trees, bent with the ferocity of last night's gale, was a strange sight. A Flying Fortress intact, protected by lashings to the trees, sat bolt upright in the midst of all this wild primitive upheaval.

Within the huge ship, five men were eating a warm, nourishing ration breakfast around a regulation stove. One of them glanced through the window on the pilot's side.

"Think we ought to risk it, Lieutenant?" he asked. "It's cleared up and the sun's coming out."

Lieutenant Tom Mitchell, tanned, tall, and twenty-five, shook his head.

"Better that we wait," he answered. "There's no telling when they'll come back to see what happened to us. Their dawn patrols are probably out, anyway."

No sooner had he spoken these words, when they heard the drone of motors. The young lieutenant peered through the opening in the patch of lashed down trees.

"It's them, all right," he announced. "Zero's . . . there's at least six of 'em circling all around here. Keep low—and keep quiet."

The men assumed comfortable positions and waited. The drones would come nearer and nearer, only to disappear and return again louder and louder. One of the men shook his head.

"If they spot us," he said. "It'll be over — but FAST!"

Lieutenant Mitchell smiled. "I don't think so," he said. "From up there, this island must look like a mess. I don't think they've spotted us. They've been up there too long. We would have got strafed long ago. There's more than

one bunch of broken trees around here. I think they believe we've been blown out to sea along with everything else around here."

The Zeros' drones faded away and didn't come back. The lieutenant opened the door of the huge plane and signalled for the others to come out with him.

Dawn was approaching now with a faster tempo. In a few more minutes the blood-hot heat of morning would be on them. They would have to work fast.

"All right, fellows," ordered the young flying officer. "let's go. Let's see if we can get old Fried Egg in circulation again. Unloosen those ropes."

A short time later they had cleared the tropical camouflage surrounding the giant ship. Sergeant Pyle came forward to make his report.

"No damage, Lieutenant," he said, smiling. "You did a swell job in bringing her down. But, getting her up again—" he shook his head slowly.

Mitchell playfully punched him in the shoulder.

"Cut it out, Pyle," he laughed. "What goes down can go up. We've GOT to do it. What shall we do, spend the rest of our lives on this forsaken island when we've got a good ship, plenty of gas and plenty of GUTS? We'll clear a runway, and take off just as if we were back at the base. Come on!!!"

The crew gathered around him as he lit a cigarette, and he called them all by name: "Pyle, Winiaski, Dolan, Bergman, Greenough, Van Horn. Listen, boys, I know this sounds silly but we're going to take a vote on it, anyway. Our chances of getting the Fried Egg off the ground are pretty slim. There's only two things to do. The first is to stay here, shoot a few flares and take the chance of being picked up by someone—Yanks or Nips — or no one. The second," here he paused and inhaled deeply—"the second is to be a credit to the wings we wear, and every last man of us doing our job with all the skill that we ever picked up, and to get this plane up in the air. I'll let you decide which you prefer to do. As for me—I'm going to get this baby in the air even if I have to do it by myself. Think it over, and tell me what you've decided."

Sergeant Bergman stepped forward instantly.

"Lieutenant," he said. "You don't have to ask us anything like that. Whatever you're willing to risk, we are. It's better to be rubbed out in our own ship than to be strafed by the squints, or starve to death in this dump. We're for you one hundred percent!"

There was a tense silence, then everyone burst out in uncontrolled laughter. The seriousness of the young sergeant standing there in nothing but a pair of dirty G.I. shorts, delivering this ovation in the heat of morning, released everyone's pent-up emotion.

They ganged up on their officer, spat on their hands, and scanned the skies.

"What are we waitin' for?" demanded Sergeant Van Horn. "Before we know it, it'll be hot

ter'n Hades here — and those brown monkees might come back and look us up again."

Lieutenant Mitchell smiled. "Good boys," he said briefly. "Now," he continued, "the first thing is to clear some kind of a path for the Fried Egg to toddle along. I hope I haven't forgotten some stunts I learned in the States about getting these crates off terra firma. We've got to go to work — and HOW!"

With knives and axes they cleared all the debris away from the big plane, and Lieutenant Mitchell charted an imaginary line from her belly to the beachhead.

Lieutenant Winiaski, the navigator, scratched his head when they came to the sandy beach.

"I dunno, Tom," he said. "It's a pretty short space for the Fried Egg to take off. And these cocoanut trees — that's BAD. I doubt whether we can clear the tops of 'em. . . ."

His brother officer studied the treetops intently.

"Yes, we can," he said. "I'll show you how when we're ready to get off this sweatbox of an island."

Time flew by too swiftly. Before the men knew it, mid-day was upon them, and the heat was getting unbearable. They had succeeded in clearing a path from the ship to the beachhead. Lieutenant Mitchell went over their work with a fine tooth comb.

"Think she'll take it?" asked Sergeant Greenough. "The Fried Egg ain't exactly a lightweight, you know."

The young officer shrugged. "I've seen worse spots," he answered.

By two o'clock everything was in readiness for the flight. A meal was prepared, and the crew sat around and ate in the blazing heat.

"Boyl!" exclaimed Sergeant Van Horn. "ANY-PLACE is better than this hole. I've never felt such heat in all my LIFE!"

Soon they were all at their places in the plane. The Fried Egg's four motors came to a sputtering life, then roared sweetly. Lieutenant Mitchell spoke into his phone.

"Those cocoanut trees—" he ordered to belly-gunner Dolan. "Take off the tops of 'em with your .50's. I don't think we'll clear 'em if we don't!"

"Yes, SIR, Lieutenant!"

Staccato blasts filled the early afternoon air, and the trained eyes of Dolan aimed volleys of hot slugs at the motionless treetops. The crew looked on.

As if by magic, several precious feet of space was made available. The tops of the cocoanut trees went careening crazily in all directions as the machine guns chattered their whining screeches of destruction.

The Fried Egg started.

First, she lumbered a little like some giant bird unable to understand why it was locked in such a tight cage. Then she gathered speed and started moving, swiftly and surely towards the beachhead.

The young lieutenant's cheek bones stood out as he grimly held the controls of his ship. His life, the lives of his men, and the responsibility

of this big flying device were now in his hands. The crew was silent. No one said a word.

The Fried Egg went faster and faster, her four motors churning up the hot tropical air. Navigator Winiaski peered straight ahead intently. Gunner Bergman looked out through his post station at the whizzing terrain going by at a terrific clip.

The thought in everyone's mind was, "When is he going to lift her? When?" They saw the trees coming closer and closer, the beachhead nearer and nearer, and the waters of the blue Pacific didn't look particularly inviting. Winiaski glanced at Lieutenant Mitchell, and read in his face the saga of a man who was going to get everything possible out of the ship before he pulled her up into the sky. Then his eyes went back to the trees coming at them with the speed of an express train.

Then the Fried Egg lifted itself off the man-made runway — just a little gingery at first, but definitely. She went higher and higher. Her wheels folded underneath, and the young commanding officer spoke into his 'phone. "Here we go, boys," he said. "Wish me luck!"

There was a tremendous uplift pressure as the Fried Egg literally jumped into the heavens. Bergman closed his eyes. A scraping noise appeared out of nowhere, and disappeared. They were flying! The Fried Egg came through again!

Everyone looked at each other and smiled. This boy Mitchell was slated to be a captain soon. That was certain. His uncanny handling of this big mechanical bird was unheard of in the annals of flying. They'd have plenty to talk about when they got back to their base.

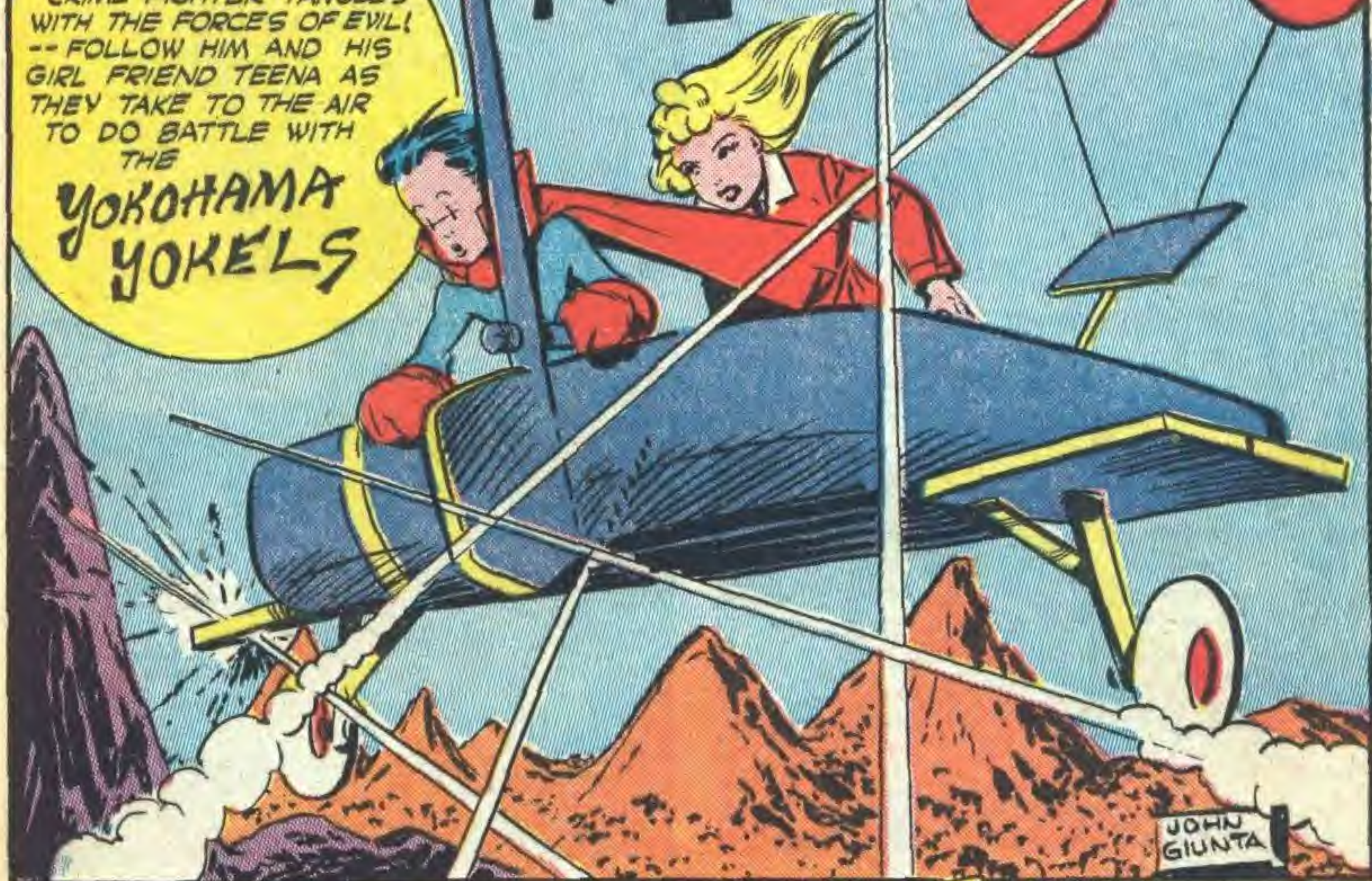
Suddenly, Lieutenant Mitchell grew tense. He literally barked into his 'phone. "Zeros!" he grated. "A whole flock of 'em! Get ready . . . we're going to climb and take care of 'em!"

The crew was quickly on the alert. Each man took his place for the coming battle. There was no more fear. There was no show of nervous apprehension because a bomber might not clear some cocoanut tree. There was no worry as before, of being forced down on some lonely forgotten island because of a tropical storm. Instead, there was the prospect of a rattling good fight—to the death perhaps, but wasn't that what they were there for—to battle the enemy, and defeat him?

Lieutenant Tom Mitchell smiled when he saw the Nipponese ships square off for the attack. He felt happy as a matter of fact. This battle would finish the day off beautifully for him and his men. He counted eight Zeros. He knew that they'd get at least six before the other two would scoot away. That was the trouble with the little brown pilots—they never would have sense enough to stay away from the Fried Egg. She was too proud a ship to be shot down by Japs. Her's would be a ripe old age, and a tradition in the bomber squadron. The young officer smiled again as he saw them coming. "Come on, chumps," he said. "Come and get it—and help us shorten this war!"

The MIGHTY MITE

ONCE AGAIN
OUR TINY BUT MIGHTY
CRIME FIGHTER TANGLES
WITH THE FORCES OF EVIL!
-- FOLLOW HIM AND HIS
GIRL FRIEND TEENA AS
THEY TAKE TO THE AIR
TO DO BATTLE WITH
THE
**YOKOHAMA
YOKELS**



OUR
STORY
OPENS IN
CLAMM'S
HUGE
DEPARTMENT
STORE AS
TEENA AND
MICKY
(THE MIGHTY
MITE)
ARE OUT
ON A
SHOPPING
EXPEDITION!

ISN'T THAT
HAND BAG JUST
ADORABLE,
MICKY?

--UH.. I GUESS
SO -- TEENA!

SUDDENLY--

OH, MY GOODNESS GRACIOUS!
**HELP! THE TOY DEPARTMENT HAS
BEEN ROBBED! HELP!
POLICE!**





BAW... I WANT SOME TOYS...

NOW WE CAN'T PLAY... BAW... I WANT A FIRE ENGINE!

SNIFF!

?



LOOK, KIDS... DON'T CRY... I'LL GET YOUR TOYS BACK... AND CATCH THE CROOKS TOO!

... GEE-- THE MIGHTY MITE IS GOIN' TO GET BACK OUR TOYS...



IMAGINE THOSE CROOKS --ROBBING TOYS FROM CRAMM'S!

GOSH-- YOU'RE SO BRAVE, MICKEY--BUT HOW ARE YOU GOING TO CATCH THEM?



HOW? WITH THE AEROPLANE I BUILT!--

--THE--THE AEROPLANE YOU BUILT--??



--SURE--HERE IT IS! HOW DO YOU LIKE IT, TEENA?

OOH-- MICKEY--IT'S WONDERFUL! SIGH! YOU'RE SO SMART..!

ARE YOU WONDERING IF MIGHTY MITE'S PLANE CAN FLY? IF SO-- TAKE A GANDER AT THE NEXT PICTURE AND SEE FOR YOURSELF!



YEP---IT FLIES--HOW? EVEN MIGHTY MITE DOESN'T KNOW! SO HOW SHOULD WE??

YIPPEE! THIS FEELS SWELL!

MICKEY! LOOK DOWN THERE!



GOSH! IT LOOKS LIKE A BIG CLOUD!

...AND THOSE MEN ARE TAKING BIG BUNDLES FROM THE TRUCK, AND PUTTING THEM IN THE CLOUD!



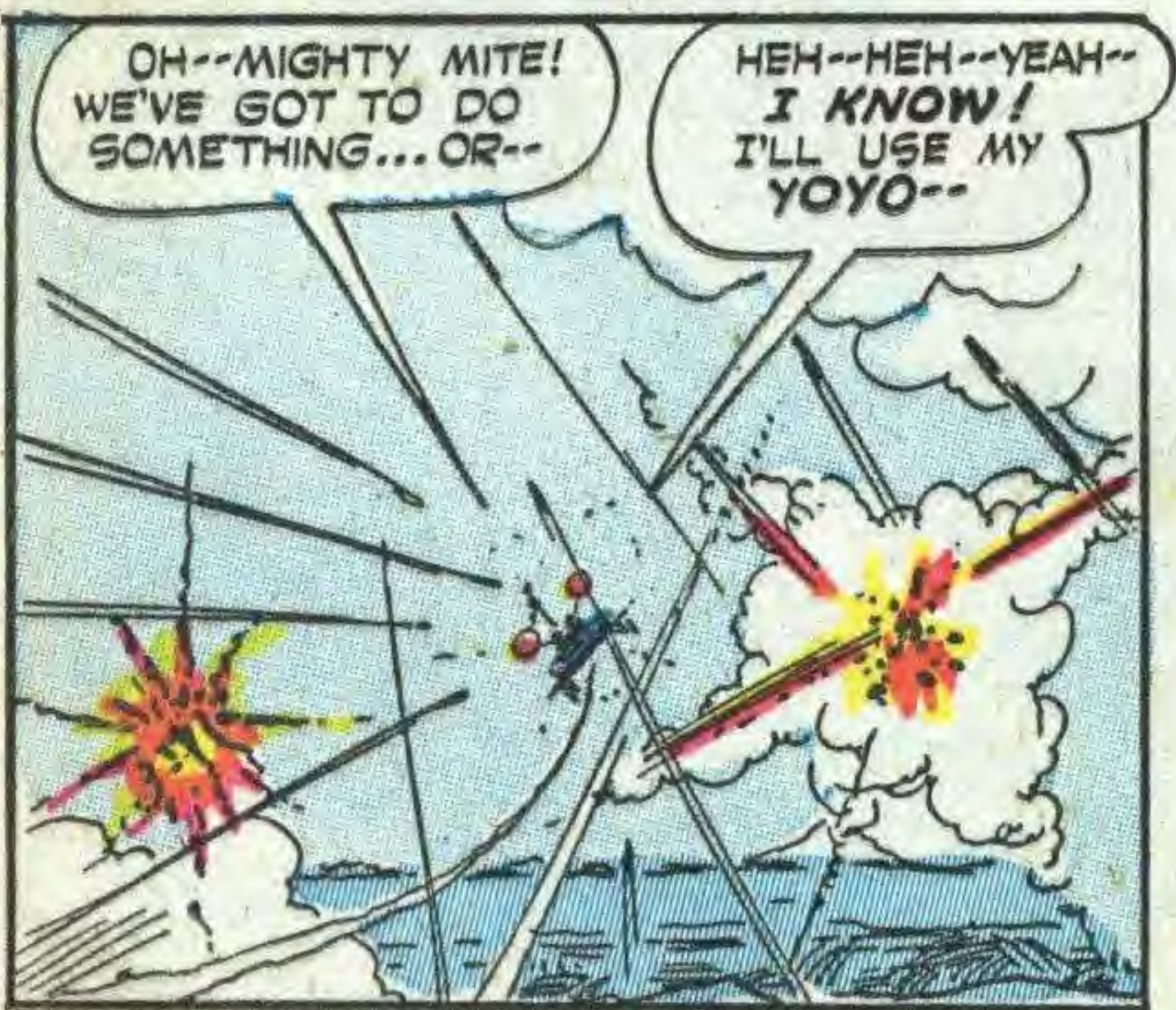
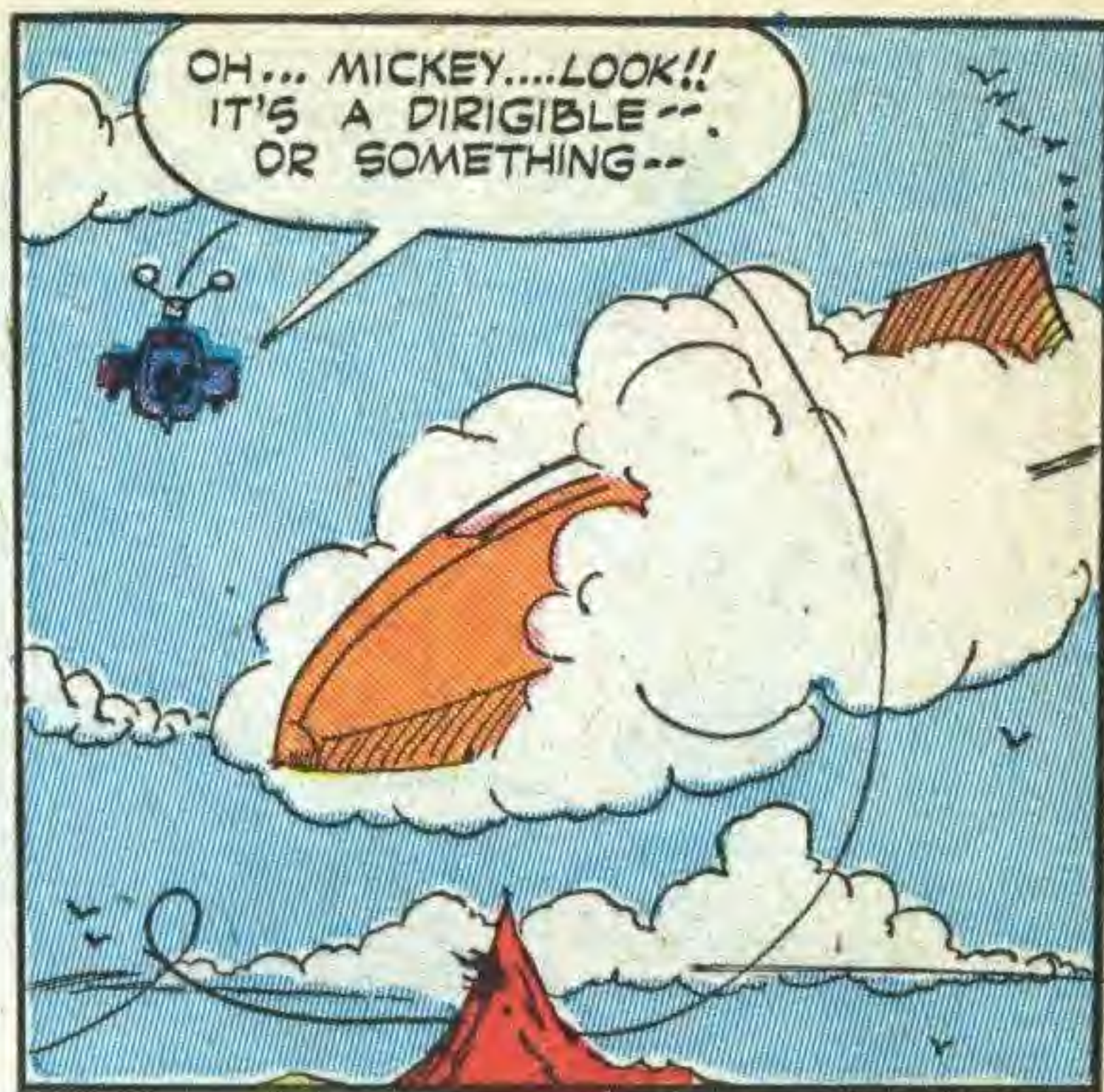
WHY--WHY--THEY'VE GOT THE **TOYS!** THEY'RE THE CROOKS WHO ROBBED THE STORE!

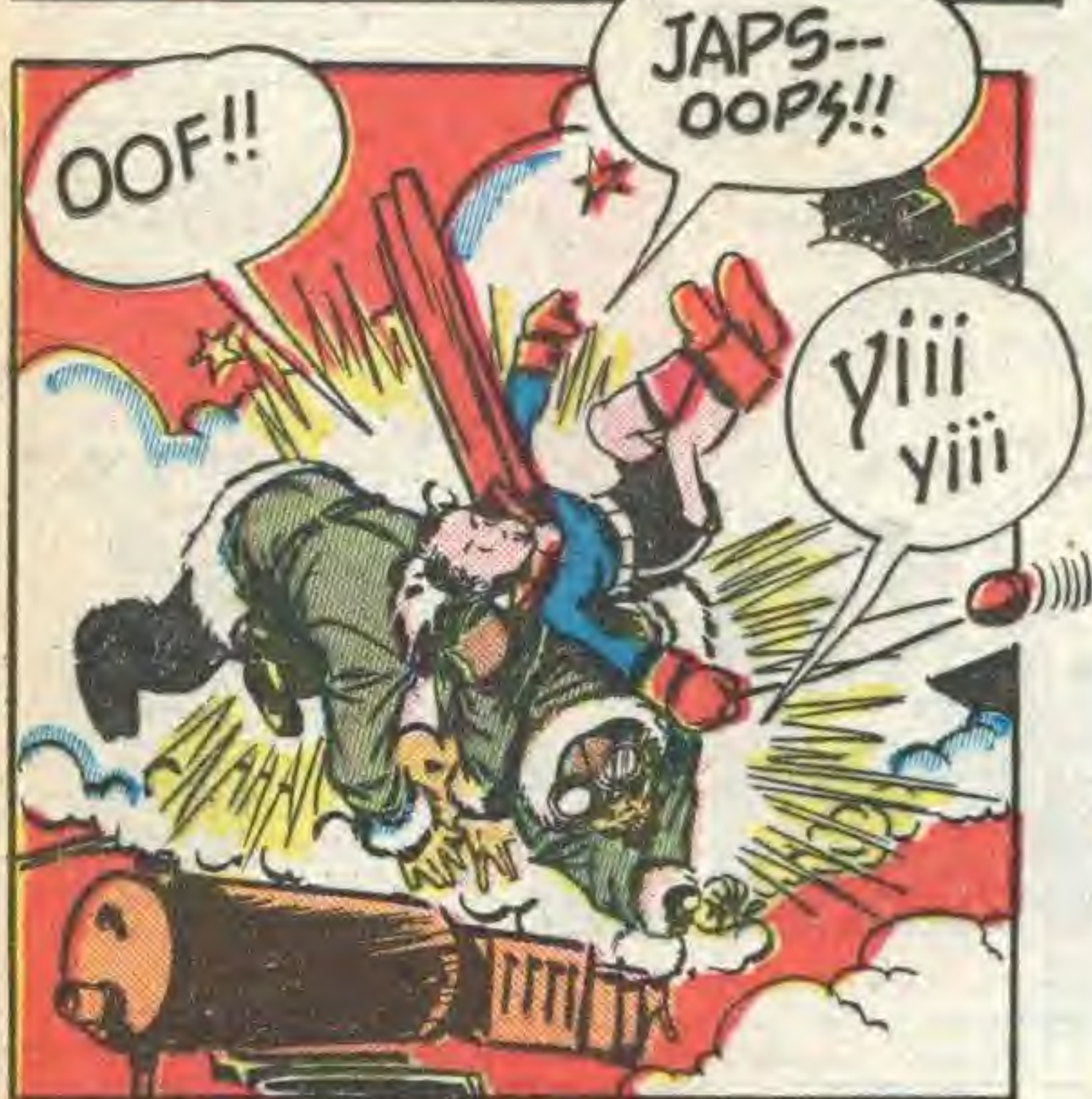
OOOH...MICKEY! WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO?



HEY--! THE CLOUD IS COMING UP!

--THEY'RE GETTING AWAY!!







SALUTE TO THE YANKS

THE DOG OF WAR

TO THE THOUSANDS OF
UNSUNG CANINE HEROES
WHO ARE LOYALLY DOING
THEIR PART TO HELP
WIN THE WAR—THIS
STORY IS RESPECTFUL-
LY DEDICATED—
The Editors

THAT MACHINE
GUN IS MURDEROUS,
PVT. ROWELL... **WE
MUST STOP IT!**

YES SIR, WE CAN
STOP IT...
**CHIPS - ATTACK!
ATTACK!!**

G. H. Appel



HE WILL, CAPTAIN-
ATTACK CHIPS!!



*And there he is—
CHIPS, THE ARMY DOG!
—THE FIRST DOG IN
HISTORY TO RECEIVE
THE DISTINGUISHED
SERVICE CROSS! HE'S
OWNED BY MR. AND
MRS. EDWARD J.
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And SO- THE FIRST MARINE DOG PLATOON WENT ASHORE, - AND THEY DID THE MARINES' CREDIT AS THE LANDING PARTY MOVED INTO THE DEPTHS OF THE JUNGLE!

THAT'S CAESAR! - THEY SAY HE'S TOP DOG!

PVT. MAYO - YOU AND CAESAR AND PVT. CASEY WILL TAKE THE ADVANCED SCOUTING DETAIL! - KEEP IN CONSTANT COMMUNICATION WITH HEAD-QUARTERS!

YES, SIR!

HIYA JIM! FEED CAESAR, WILL YA? WE'RE GOING OUT SOON... HERE'S HIS MESSAGE CARRIER..



WELL, YOU'RE ON YOUR OWN FROM HERE ON! REPORT REGULARLY... **GOOD LUCK!**

THANK YOU, LIEUTENANT!

DON'T WORRY, SIR - CAESAR WILL BRING THE REPORTS!



WHAT WAS THAT?

GET DOWN!

SNAP





REMEMBER, CAESAR,
-NO NOISE! AND COME
RIGHT BACK, -SEE?

YOU
KNOW,
I BET
HE
UNDERSTANDS
EVERY WORD!



LIKE A SILENT SHADOW,
CAESAR FOLLOWED THE
TRAIL!



FINE! WE MOVE UP TONIGHT,
SERGEANT! NOW I'LL ANSWER
THOSE BOYS!



SO FOR TWO DAYS
AND NIGHTS, CAESAR
TOOK CARE OF ALL
COMMUNICATIONS!
ENEMY FIRE COULDN'T
STOP HIM! THE
MESSAGES WENT
THROUGH TO HEAD-
QUARTERS! ON
THE THIRD DAY-500
YARDS BEYOND
THE
AMERICAN
OUTER-
LINE...

A ROAD BLOCK, PETE! WE
MAY SEE A LITTLE ACTION!

YEAH...LET'S DIG
OURSELVES IN
A FOX HOLE!



CAESAR SMELLS A
JAP! BE READY
FOR ANYTHING,
PETE!

UH-HUH!
I'M READY!

Then NOT EVEN WAITING FOR AN ORDER FROM HIS
MASTER, CAESAR SPRINGS TO ACTION!



G-G-R-R-R-WO-O-O-





GR-R-R-R



オオオオオ (HELP! HELP!!)



オオオオ
I KILL DOG!



LOOKS LIKE
HE FOUND
SOMETHING!

YEAH,
MAYBE WE
BETTER...
SHOTS!!

BANG!
BANG!



OOH, THE DIRTY-
-I COULD STRANGLE
THAT JAP!

HOLD ON TO YOUR-
SELF, MAYO! WAIT,
I'LL GET MY
EMERGENCY KIT!

SHARING THEIR EMERGENCY KITS WITH THEIR PAL, MAYO AND DALEY TOOK CARE OF CAESAR THROUGH THE NIGHT. - NEXT MORNING, WHEN THE MAIN OUTFIT CAME UP, CAESAR WAS HANDED OVER TO THE MEDICOS - LIKE ANY OTHER MARINE!

HE'D A-KILLED THAT JAP ONLY HE WAS TRAINED TO GRAB THE ENEMY'S WEAPON ARM!

HE'LL BE OKAY SOON, BUDDY! DIDN'T THE DOC SAY SO?

YES, CAESAR GOT WELL AND WAS TO RETURN TO ACTION, AND FOR HIS HEROIC DEEDS WAS ELEVATED TO THE RANK OF CORPORAL. - SEE WHAT THEY MEAN WHEN THEY SAY - "WE MUST ALL DO OUR BIT FOR AMERICA!"



FIRST JAP KILLER

THE JAPS ARE RAIDING PEARL HARBOR! WHEELER FIELD IS WRECKED!!

TH-THE JAPS??

TO CAPTAIN KENNETH M. TAYLOR, OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY AIR FORCE, GOES THE DISTINCTION OF BEING THE FIRST AMERICAN PILOT TO BRING DOWN A JAP ZERO IN THE WAR---
---HERE IS HOW IT ALL HAPPENED---

BETTER GET YOUR PLANES OFF THE GROUND **PRONTO!**

HEY, HERB!
HEY, MARK!
THE JAPS ARE BOMBING US!

FLYING OVER OAHU, HE SPOTTED THE JAPS...1000 FEET BELOW!

LOOK AT THAT CITY! BURNING! THE DIRTY COWARDS! LET ME GET ONE OF THEM!



LOOK AT THE YELLOW...!
-THEY DON'T EXPECT
ANY OPPOSITION!

WHE-E-E-E-E-E-E-E-E-E-E

THOSE ARE NOT PLANES - THEY'RE ORANGE
CRATES!

MUST MAKE EVERY MINUTE
COUNT! I'LL GET AS MANY
AS I CAN!

THAT'S TWO
ANYWAY!

OWOOH! HIT TWICE! I WON'T BE
MUCH GOOD NOW! I BETTER GET
HOME WHILE I CAN!

And FOR HIS GREAT
HEROISM (HE WENT UP
ALONE TO PROTECT THE
CITY!) CAPT. KENNETH M.
TAYLOR WAS AWARDED
THE DISTINGUISHED
SERVICE CROSS AND
PURPLE HEART! ALSO,
HE WAS THE FIRST
FLIER TO DOWN A JAP
PLANE IN WORLD
WAR II!

The End

Captain Aero's SKY SCOUTS



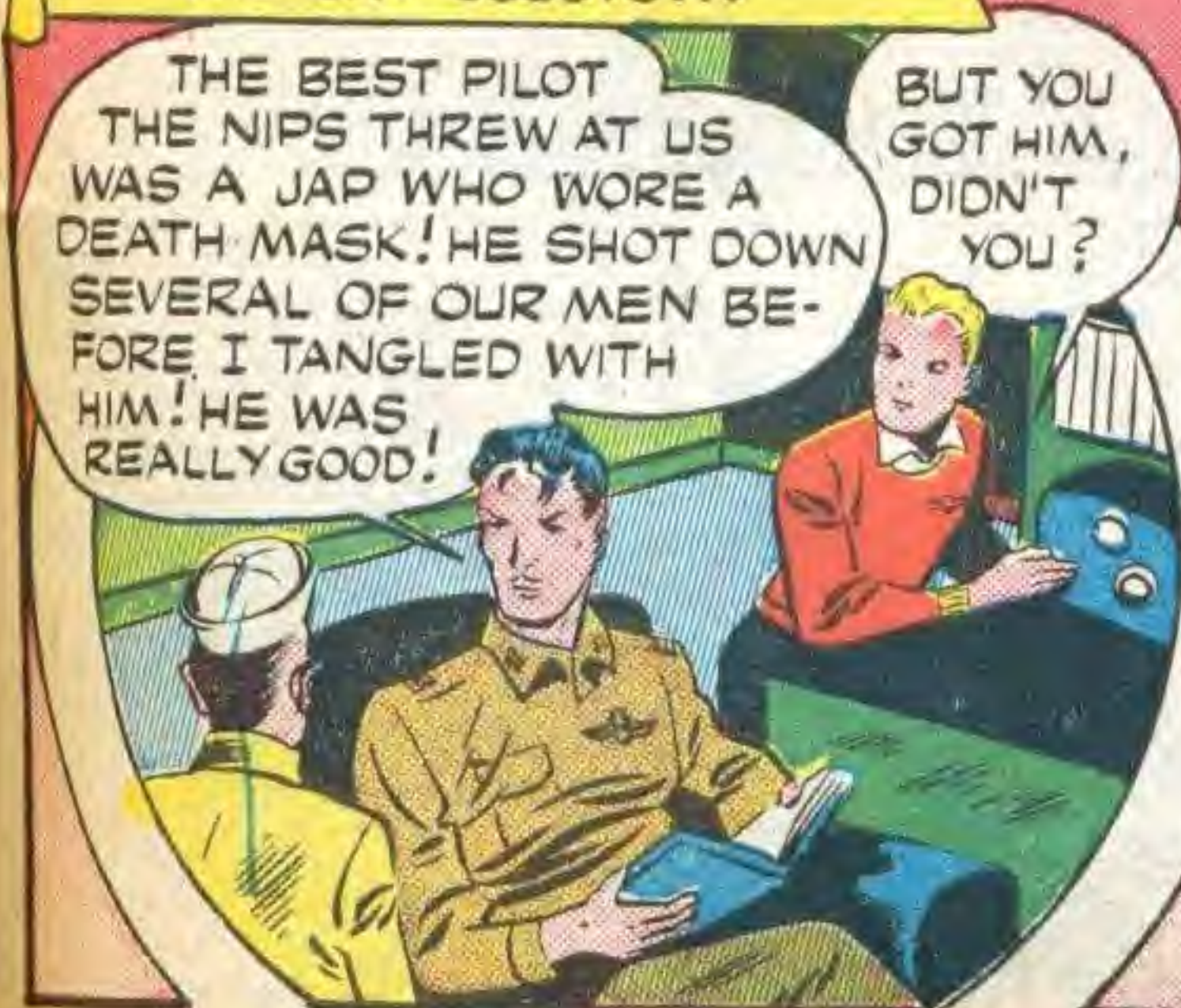
A STRANGE MAN--THIS JAP PILOT WITH THE FACE OF A DEATH-MASK! FOR DEATH FOLLOWED WHEREVER HE WENT, AND EVEN THE MIGHTY CAPTAIN AERO FAILED TO SOLVE THE RIDDLE OF THIS DEADLY MENACE! ... IT REMAINED FOR THE SKY SCOUTS, CAPTAIN AERO'S FLYING PROTEGES, TO TAKE UP THE TRAIL OF DEATH THAT LED FROM THE SOUTH PACIFIC TO OUR OWN SHORES AND PUT AN END TO THE CAREER OF "THE PILOT WHO LOOKED LIKE DEATH!"

CAPTAIN AERO, ON LEAVE FROM THE SOUTH PACIFIC, HAS NO MORE EAGER AUDIENCE FOR HIS TALES OF BATTLE THAN THE SKY SCOUTS...

THE BEST PILOT THE NIPS THREW AT US WAS A JAP WHO WORE A DEATH MASK! HE SHOT DOWN SEVERAL OF OUR MEN BEFORE I TANGLED WITH HIM! HE WAS REALLY GOOD!

BUT YOU GOT HIM, DIDN'T YOU?

I CAN'T BE SURE! I SAW HIM PLUNGING EASTWARD, BUT I NEVER SAW HIM CRASH! THERE WAS A RUMOR THAT HE HAD BEEN SEEN AGAIN!... THEN HE DISAPPEARED ONCE AND FOR ALL! THEY MAY HAVE TRANSFERRED HIM TO ANOTHER THEATRE OF BATTLE!





JUST THEN, THE SKY SCOUTS SPOT THE CRUMPLED MASS OF TWISTED STEEL THAT MARKS THE LAST RESTING PLACE OF THE TRANSPORT..





FIRST I CUT
THE MOTOR, THEN
SLIP IN AGAINST
THE WIND!



WHEW! I WOULDN'T
WANT A RETAKE ON
THAT ONE!

FROM NOW ON
WE'LL LEAVE THE
SIDESHOW STUFF
TO CAPTAIN AERO!
HE KNOWS WHAT
HE'S DOING--AND
WE'VE GOT PLENTY
TO LEARN!



THE SKY SCOUTS COME UPON THE
WRECKED TRANSPORT--

SOMETHING'S
QUEER! THE TRANSPORT
WAS HEADED NORTH!
IT SHOULDN'T HAVE
CRASHED ON THIS
SIDE OF THE
MOUNTAIN!

LOOK HERE,
JIMMY! THE
PILOT'S BEEN
SHOT!



GOOD GLORY!
HE'S BEEN RIDDLED
WITH MACHINE-GUN
BULLETS!

THAT EXPLAINS
HOW THE PLANE
CRASHED HERE! IT
WAS SHOT DOWN!



SUDDENLY THE ROAR OF A PLANE'S
MOTOR FILLS THE AIR...

RUN! IT'S A
JAP ZERO!



DOWN!
HE'S SHOOTING
AT US!

YOU'RE
TELLING
ME!



THE DEATH
MASK INSIGNIA!
THAT'S THE PLANE
CAPTAIN AERO WAS
TELLING US ABOUT!

WITHIN THE COCKPIT OF
THE JAP PLANE....

HA-HAAA! TWO
MORE VICTIMS ADD-
ED TO MY DEATH
LIST! NONE SHALL
LIVE TO TELL OF
MY PRESENCE!



FOR ONCE, THE JAP PILOT IS WRONG!
BOBBY AND JIMMY ARE NOT DEAD,
THOUGH THEY HAD A CLOSE CALL...

A COUPLE OF
INCHES EITHER
WAY AND WE'D
HAVE BEEN
GONERS!

NEVER MIND THAT!
WE'VE GOT TO FIND
OUT WHERE THAT
JAP ZERO CAME
FROM!



HE'S
DISAPPEARED!

THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE!
A PLANE HAS TO HAVE
SOME KIND OF A BASE!
UNLESS IT'S A GHOST
PLANE!



A GHOST PLANE!
SAY, DO YOU
THINK----

DON'T BE
SILLY! THOSE
BULLETS HE
FIRED AT US
WERE REAL!



A DEADLY KILLER HOVERS IN
THE AIR ABOVE THE SKY SCOUTS!

SO! ANOTHER
PRIZE FOR MY
GUNS!



GUNS SCREAMING A SONG
OF DEATH, THE JAP DIVES
ON HIS PREY...



ONE DAZZLING MANEUVER
FOLLOWS ANOTHER AS THE
SKY SCOUTS TRY VAINLY TO
ELUDE THEIR PURSUER



I CAN'T
LOSE HIM!
HE'S THE BEST
PILOT I
EVER SAW!

LOOK
OUT! IT'S
THE
DEATH
PLANE!



STEADILY THE JAP ZERO, PILOTED BY A MASTER HAND, FORCES THE SKY SCOUTS TOWARD THE EDGE OF THE EXTINGUISHED KINLEY VOLCANO----

HE'S FORCING US DOWN!



HE MUST BE CRAZY! HE CAN'T EXPECT US TO LAND HERE!

YES, HE CAN! LOOK! THAT LEDGE OF LAVA ROCK WILL MAKE A PERFECT RUNWAY!



DOWN INTO THE SHADOWED FASTNESS OF THE VOLCANIC CRATER GLIDES THE SKY SCOUTS' PLANE...



MOMENTS LATER...

WE'RE YOUR PRISONERS! WHAT DO YOU WANT OF US?

NOTHING-- FROM YOU! IT IS YOUR PLANE I WANT!



HERE IN THIS CRATER I AM SAFE FROM PRYING EYES! I CAN RAID YOUR TRANSPORT PLANES AND SHOOT THEM DOWN WITHOUT WARNING! BUT I WILL BE EVEN SAFER WHEN IT IS YOUR PLANE THAT I FLY!



HOW DID YOU GET HERE?

I WAS LANDED BY SUBMARINE! THE PLANE AND ITS SUPPLIES WERE WAITING FOR ME! OUR AGENTS BROUGHT THE NECESSARY PARTS, AND PIECED THEM TOGETHER BEFORE THE WAR!



YOU SEE, WE JAPANESE PREPARE FOR EVERYTHING!



EVEN AS JIMMY LEAPS FORWARD TO AVENGE HIS PAL, A ROAR FILLS THE ECHOING CRATER...

WHA--?
A PLANE!



IT IS THAT ACCURSED CAPTAIN AERO! OUT OF MY WAY, BRAT!

LIKE TWO DEADLY WINGED BIRDS, THE TWO ENEMIES CIRCLE EACH OTHER WITHIN THE NARROW CRATER..



NOW I KILL CAPTAIN AERO AND WIPE OUT THE STAIN OF DISHONOR! NO MAN CAN BEAT ME TWICE IN COMBAT!

AGAIN AND AGAIN THE TWO PLANES NARROWLY MISS COLLIDING AS THE TWO MASTER PILOTS STRUGGLE VAINLY FOR ADVANTAGE! AT LAST CAPTAIN AERO DIVES FOR THE CRATER AND ZOOMS SHARPLY UPWARD!



I GOT HIM!



THERE HE GOES! DOWN TO THE BOTTOM OF THE VOLCANO!



LATER, AT AN AMERICAN AIR FORCE FIELD...

YOU SURE YOU'RE ALL RIGHT, BOBBY?

THAT BULLET DETOURED OFF A RIB! IT WAS A CLOSE CALL--IF YOU HADN'T SHOWN UP, HE'D HAVE KILLED JIMMY AND ME! HOW DID YOU KNOW WHERE TO FIND HIM?



I KNEW HE WAS IN AMERICA! A RADIO OPERATOR ON ONE OF THE LOST SHIPS BROADCAST HIS DESCRIPTION WHEN HE ATTACKED THEM! THAT'S WHY I WAS TRANSFERRED FROM THE PACIFIC! MY ORDERS WERE TO FIND AND DESTROY HIM!



SO WE WERE BOTH LOOKING FOR THE SAME MAN! ONLY YOU FOUND HIM FIRST!

IT WAS NEARLY THE LAST THING WE EVER DID! THAT JAP WAS REALLY GOOD!

LUCKY FOR US THAT CAPTAIN AERO WAS BETTER!

THE END

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